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**Title:** **FAIR AND SCALABLE TRADING SYSTEM AND METHOD**

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**AFTER FINAL AMENDMENT**

Sir:

**I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Final Office Action of December 1, 2008, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows: